

In re Application of:  
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a reporter construct comprising a GAL4 response element operatively  
linked to a reporter gene; and  
(b) selecting those test compounds which cause reduced expression of the reporter gene  
product, wherein said compounds are identified as disrupting complex comprising CREB and  
CBP.

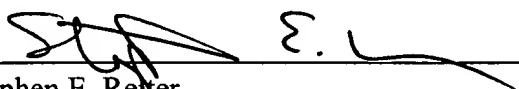
**REMARKS**

By the present communication, claims 12 and 17 have been amended to define Applicant's invention with greater particularity. No new matter is added by the subject amendment as all amended claim language is fully supported by the specification and original claims. Accordingly, claims 1-7, 12 and 17 are pending.

It is believed that the application is in condition for allowance and, therefore, prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions concerning this communication, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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